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Attorney Docket No.:

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a)

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) to file the present application without the signatures of three of the eight inventors on a Declaration. Submitted herewith is a Declaration identifying the present application by title, application number, and filing date. The Declaration is signed by five of the inventors (Henry F. Schwarz, Philip David R. Apps, Ravishankar V. Nandiwada, Brian L. Monteiro, and Mark Cooke) and has blank signature blocks for the remaining three non-signing inventors (Dean Boyd, Thomas E. Guardino, and Prashandt N. Balepur). In accordance with MPEP §409.03(a)(A), this Declaration may be treated as having been signed by all the available inventors on behalf of the nonsigning inventors.

Further attached herewith is a Declaration in Support of the Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) [hereafter the "Declaration"] describing the diligent efforts made to contact the nonsigning inventors, Messrs. Boyd, Guardino, and Balepur, who either refuse to sign the Declaration or cannot be located. As further described in the Declaration, Messrs. Boyd, Guardino, and Balepur are current or formal employees of the assignee of the present application during the time of invention and are under a legal obligation to sign an Oath or Declaration.

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The last known correspondence address for Mr. Guardino is:

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The current correspondence address for Mr. Balepur is:

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Also submitted herewith is a check for the Petition fee of \$130 as specified in 37 CFR §1.17(h). Please charge any deficiencies and credit any overpayment to the Deposit Account No. 50-1359 of the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: September 27, 2004

By:

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DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a)

Sir:

In support of a Petition Under 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a) for the above-referenced patent application, I, <u>David D. Nelson</u>, declare that I am a registered Patent Attorney, Registration No. 47,818, that I represent Manugistics, Inc. [the "Applicant"] in connection with the preparation and prosecution of the present patent application, and that I am authorized to make the following statements:

- (1) The Applicant is a corporation of the state of Delaware and principally located at 9715 Key West Avenue, Rockville, MD 20850.
- (2) Mr. Dean Weldon Boyd and Mr. Thomas Edward Guardino were employees of Talus, Inc., which was whole acquired by Applicant in 2000. During their employment period, Mr. Boyd and Mr. Guardino, as part of their employment duties, participated in the development of the invention disclosed of the present patent application. Under the terms of their employment, Mr. Boyd and Mr. Guardino were required to assign the invention to the Applicant and to cooperate in any efforts related to patenting the invention.
- (3) Mr. Prashandt Narayan Balepur was an employees of Talus, Inc and is a current employee of Applicant. Mr. Balepur, as part of his employment duties, participated in the

development of the invention disclosed of the present patent application. Under the terms of his employment, Mr. Balepur is required to assign the invention to the Applicant and to cooperate in any efforts related to patenting the invention.

(4) According to Applicant's personnel records, the last known correspondence address for Mr. Boyd is:

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- (7) On July 29, 2004, I sent to Mr. Boyd at his last known address a copy of the present application as filed, a declaration in accordance with 37 CFR §1.63, and instructions for Mr. Boyd to review the application and execute the declaration. A copy of this letter is appended in Attachment 1. On or about August 3, 2004, I received notice from FedEx Delivery Services that this letter had been delivered.
- (8) On July 29, 2004, I sent to Mr. Guardino at his last known address a copy of the present application as filed, a declaration in accordance with 37 CFR §1.63, and instructions for Mr. Guardino to review the application and execute the declaration. A copy of this letter is

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- (9) On August 25, 2004, I sent to Mr. Balepur at his last known address a copy of the present application as filed, a declaration in accordance with 37 CFR §1.63, and instructions for Mr. Balepur to review the application and execute the declaration. A copy of this letter is appended in Attachment 1. On or about August 30, 2004, I received notice from FedEx Delivery Services that this letter had been delivered
- (10) I have attempted to contact Mr.. Boyd, Mr. Guardino, and Mr. Balepur by telephone and e-mail on several occasions in the last four months. Mr.. Boyd orally indicated that he is unwilling to execute the declaration. I have been unable to reach Mr. Guardino. And, Mr. Balepur, despite numerous promises to execute declaration, has not done so.
- (11) I have received no other response or correspondence from Mr.. Boyd, Mr. Guardino, or Mr. Balepur. I make this Declaration to prevent abandonment of the subject patent application as Mr.. Boyd, Mr. Guardino, and Mr. Balepur are required to execute the Declaration but has not yet done so.

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I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true; that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. §1001; and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or document or any resulting registration resulting therefrom.

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